

Volunteers In Parks 9700 SW 328th Street Homestead, FL 33030 (305)230-1144

Kid Zone VIP:

How many: 1 person for ONE of FOUR weekend shifts (Sat am/pm and Sun am/pm), may be opportunities to schedule more assistance for school holidays and school break **Duration**: Year-Round, preference given to those who can help out on busy, holiday days **Tasks required**:

- Encouraging park visitors to engage in Kid Zone activities
- Facilitate Kid Zone activities for interested families (measure fish, go for a walk to do Jetty Bingo, etc...)
- Able to introduce visitors to the Kids Zone but step back if families want to engage in activities independently.

How often: Must commit to ONE shift per weekend for the winter season **Characteristics of a Good Kid Zone VIP**:

- Responsible
- Self starter
- Quick to learn
- Follows directions, but can independently perform tasks once oriented
- Punctual and dependable
- Good with kids of all ages and families
- Able to 'read' families to see if they would like an introduction to the area, if they would like to be lead through activities, or if they have no interest in activities at all
- Encourage an environment of exploration, letting the kids/families lead but there to help and open doors

Ranger Contact: <u>Elizabeth Edwards@nps.gov</u> (305)230-1144 x039 Paperwork Needed:

- Application www.nps.gov/getinvolved/volunteer.htm
- Agreement (parental approval if under 18yrs)
- Job description (this document)

Training: 1/2hr with park staff prior to first shift, **required

Notes: 14yrs+, uniformed position (we will provide), no reimbursements available

